



FEMA

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HOW TO DO BUSINESS WITH FEMA - HOUSING

To pursue business with FEMA, as relates to housing products, services, or support, please read below for information on doing business with the Federal government and FEMA's Joint Housing Solutions Group (JHSG), noting the four bulleted action items for your attention.

Doing Business with FEMA and the Federal Government

- For information about working with FEMA as a vendor, please see <http://www.fema.gov/business/contractor.shtm> and email FEMA-Industry@fema.gov to register as a vendor with the Agency.
- Any company seeking to do business with the US Federal government must register with **Central Contractor Registration** (<https://www.bpn.gov/ccr/default.aspx>), the primary registrant database for the U.S. Federal Government. CCR collects, validates, stores and disseminates data in support of agency acquisition missions.
- In addition, consider visiting FedBizOpps (www.fbo.gov), the central website where the federal government solicits requests for proposals and requests for information. Any request by FEMA, HUD, or other federal agency that is interested in procuring temporary housing units would be posted on this portal.

Completing a JHSG Housing Assessment Tool (HAT)

Leading FEMA's alternative housing initiative is the Joint Housing Solutions Group (JHSG), a group comprised of housing and building science experts from FEMA, the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Office of Health Affairs, and private sector partners, including the National Institute of Building Sciences.

- The JHSG created the online Housing Assessment Tool (HAT), <https://asd.fema.gov/inter/hat/public/login.htm> to collect information on different forms of disaster housing. **Completing this assessment is the first step in the JHSG process of identifying housing solutions for FEMA consideration; your participation is voluntary.**

To complete a HAT survey, please click on the "New User?" button to register for a new account. The HAT is product-specific, so please complete a new HAT survey for each distinct housing product you would like FEMA to review (you can use the same login and password for multiple surveys). Please contact FEMA-IA-JHSG@DHS.gov to submit additional pictures or documents, or for questions about or problems with the HAT. Note the security and confidentiality agreements during registration: the JHSG takes data security very seriously, and no information will be seen by parties outside of the Federal government.